

하인두 편평세포암에서 간세포성장인자와 그 수용체인 c-Met의 발현

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Expression of HGF/c-Met in Hypopharyngeal Squamous Cell Carcinoma

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ABSTRACT

Hepatocyte growth factor (HGF), a potent stimulator of hepatocyte growth, stimulates motility, invasiveness, proliferation, and morphogenesis of epithelium, and may be involved in physiologic and pathologic processes such as embryogenesis, wound healing, organ regeneration, inflammation, and tumor invasion. So we examined the role of the HGF/c-Met on invasion and metastasis of hypopharyngeal squamous cell carcinoma (SCC). We performed immunohistochemical stains on 40 normal mucosas and 40 SCCs of hypopharynx with HGF antibody and c-Met antibody. For RT-PCR and Western blot, fresh normal tissues and cancer tissues in hypopharynx obtained from five patients were used. The positive rates of HGF and c-Met expression in hypopharyngeal SCC were 77.5% and 70%, respectively. HGF staining was significantly correlated with lymph node metastasis and pathologic stage ($p < 0.05$). c-Met staining was only significantly correlated with lymph node metastasis ($p < 0.05$). The increased expression of c-Met mRNA (RT-PCR) and protein (Western Blot) were detected in hypopharyngeal cancer tissue. These results suggest that HGF may play an important role in the progression of hypopharyngeal cancer. (Korean J Otolaryngol 2004;47:1135-41)

KEY WORDS : Hepatocyte Growth Factor (HGF) · c-Met · Hypopharyngeal cancer.

가 가 .
가 (tumor and host interaction)
(stromal alterations)가
(submucosal spread)가 (fibroblast),
(second primary (macrophage), (lymphocyte), (neut-
tumor) rophils) (endothelial cells)
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가 .¹⁾
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hepatocyte growth factor(HGF) peptide growth
factor (hepatocyte)
가

				RT - PCR	Western blotting
				1	5
protease (invasiveness)	(motility) (morphogenesis)			- 70	
(angiogenesis)				. 5	
. ²⁾³⁾ HGF	1984	3	가 3 ,		
	^{4 - 6)} 1989	가	가 1 ,		가
. ⁷⁾ 1991		scatter	1		
factor가 HGF					
HGF/SF	. ⁸⁾ HGF		c - Met HGF		
	tyrosine kinase				labelled streptoavidin biotin kit
	proto - oncogene		(LSAB ; DAKO Co., CA. USA)		
c - met gene	. ⁹⁾ HGF	c -	5 μ m		
Met paracrine			xylene		
가	HGF c - Met		ethanol	5	. 10
가	c - met oncogene		mM citrate buffer(pH 6)	10	microwave
			3% H ₂ O ₂ 가	100% methanol	10
	c - met oncogene	HGF가	. HGF	human	HGF
가			affinity purified polyclonal goat antibody(R & D sys-	c - Met	
	HGF c - Met		tems, Inc, MN, USA)	human HGF receptor(c - Met) polyclonal goat	
			antibody (R & D system)	1 : 100	
		HGF	, 4	universal secondary	
c - Met m - RNA	protein		biotinylated antibody	R.T.U VECTASTAW® ELITE	
			ABC kit(Vector Laboratories, Inc., CA, USA)		
			30		
			DAB(DAKO)	5	
			10 Hematoxylin		Semisynthe-
			tic crystal mount(DAKO)	mounting	, cover glass
	1994 3	1998 4			
	Hematoxylin - eosin				
	가		RT - PCR	HGF c - Met mRNA	
40			1 ml	TRIzol®(GIBCOBRL, Grand Island,	
60.1 \pm 8.4(\pm)	43 76		NY, USA)	, RNA	
38	2			RNA 2 μ g	
	AJCC(2002)		Omniscript Reverse Transcriptase kit(20511, Qiagen		
	3 (7.5%),	4	Germany)	{10X Buffer RT 2.0 μ l, dNTP	
(10%),	10 (25%),	23 (57.5%)	Mix(5 mM each dNTP) 2.0 μ l, Oligo - dT primer(10 μ l)		
		well, mode-	2.0 μ l, RNase inhibitor(10 units/ μ l) 1.0 μ l, Omniscript		
rate, poor differentiation			Reverse Transcriptase 2 units, RNase - free water} 20		
			μ l	37	60 , 94 5
			cDNA	. PCR	Minicycler™(MJ research,

USA) cDNA Taq DNA polymerase 1 unit(Roche Diagnostics Co, Indianapolis, USA)

primer
human HGF primer human c - Met primer

human HGF ;

sense : 5 ' - ACA TCG TCA CTT CTG GC - 3 ' ;

antisense : 5 ' - ATC CAT CCT ATG TTT GTT
CG - 3 ' ;

human c - Met ;

sense : 5 ' - AGT AGC CTG ATT GTG CAT TT - 3 ' ;

antisense : 5 ' - TCT TTC ATG ATG CCC TC - 3 ' ;

PCR 96 3 , 96 HGF 40 31
30 , 55 30 , 72 30 30 (77.5%)
cycles (extension) 72 5 HGF
(stromal cell)

Western blotting c - Met

phosphate

HGF

buffered saline(PBS)

(100 µg/ml phenylmethylsulfonyl fluoride, 1 µg/ml leupeptin)가 가 RIPA(RadiolImmunoPrecipitation) buffer 1 ml{150 mM NaCl, 1% NP - 40, 50 mM Tris (pH 8.0), 1 mM EDTA, 0.5% Deoxycholate}

15,000 rpm 10

Western blot analysis

Bio - Rad protein assay(Bio - Rad, Hercules, CA, USA) . Well 20 µg

sodium dodesyl sulfate(SDS) - polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis(PAGE)

nitrocellulose filter(Amersham, Arlington Heights, IL, USA) 4 c -

Met filter 0.1% Tween - 20

Tris buffered saline(TBS)

peroxidase - conjugated donkey anti - rabbit antibody (Amersham) donkey anti - mouse antibody(Amersham) enhanced chemiluminescence detection system(ECL, Amersham) X - ray film

Fisher 's exact test, Mantel -

Haenzel test

Kaplan - Meier

Log - rank test 가

p 0.05

c - Met HGF

c - Met HGF
Taniguchi ¹⁷⁾

30%

, 30%

HGF 40 31
(77.5%) (Table 1),
HGF
(stromal cell)

가 가

(Fig. 1).

HGF T1 T2 63.6%, 가 4 cm
가 4 cm

Table 1. Correlation between the expression pattern of HGF and clinicopathologic factors. The positive rates of HGF expression in hypopharyngeal SCC were 77.5%. HGF staining was significantly correlated with lymph node metastasis and pathologic stage ($p < 0.05$)

Variables		Expression of HGF (%)		p-value
		Negative (22.5)	Positive (77.5)	
T	1, 2 (n=11)	4 (36.4)	7 (63.6)	0.227 ¹⁾
	3, 4 (n=29)	5 (17.2)	24 (82.8)	
N	- (n=13)	6 (47)	7 (53)	0.038 ¹⁾
	+ (n=27)	3 (11.1)	24 (88.9)	
M	- (n=34)	8 (23.5)	26 (76.5)	1.000 ¹⁾
	+ (n=6)	1 (16.7)	5 (83.3)	
Stage	I, II (n=6)	4 (66.7)	2 (33.3)	0.016 ¹⁾
	III, IV (n=34)	5 (14.7)	29 (85.3)	
Differentiation	Well (n=11)	1 (9.1)	10 (90.9)	0.103 ²⁾
	Moderate (n=16)	4 (25)	12 (75)	
	Poor (n=13)	4 (30.7)	9 (69.3)	
Recurrence	Yes (n=13)	1 (7.7)	12 (92.3)	0.226 ¹⁾
	No (n=27)	8 (29.6)	19 (70.4)	

1) calculated by Fisher's exact test ($p < 0.05$)

2) calculated by Mantel-Henzel test ($p < 0.05$)

T3 T4 82.8% 가 HGF 가 가
(Table 1). 가 HGF 7/13 (Fig. 2). 40 28 (70%)
(53%) 가 가 24/27 (Table 2). c-Met
(88.9%) 가 (76.5%) T1, T2 7/11 (63.6%) T3, T4 21/29
(p<0.05). 가 HGF 가 c-Met 가
(83.3%) HGF 가 6/13 (46.2%) c-Met
, HGF 2/6 가 23/34 (67.6%) 가 (p<0.05).
(33.3%) , 29/34 가 5/6(83.3%) c-Met 가
(85.3%) 가 HGF 가 (76.5%)가 (33.3%)
가 (p<0.05). HGF 가 c-Met 가
HGF 12/13 c-Met HGF (76.9%)가
(92.3%) 19/27 (70.4%) c-Met

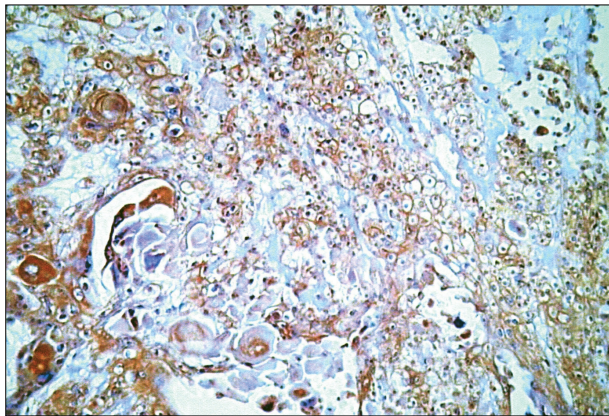


Fig. 1. Immunohistochemical localization of HGF protein in hypopharyngeal SCC tissue. HGF was stained mainly in stromal tissue around cancer cells but occasionally in cancer cells and basal layer of normal cells ($\times 200$).

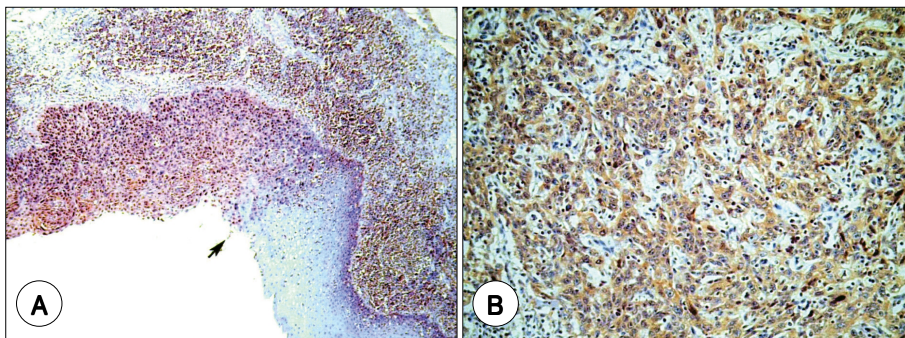


Fig. 2. Immunohistochemical expression of c-Met in the human hypopharyngeal carcinoma tissue. There was strong c-Met expression in cytoplasm of cancer cells but not in normal cells. Transition zone was shown in an apparent form (black arrow) ; magnification $\times 40$ (A). It was shown that the expression was in the cytoplasm of cancer cells diffusely and strongly ; magnification $\times 200$ (B).

Table 2. Correlation between the expression pattern of c-Met and clinicopathologic factors. The positive rates of c-Met expression in hypopharyngeal SCC were 70%. c-Met staining was only significantly corrected with lymph node metastasis ($p<0.05$)

Variables		Expression of c-Met (%)		p-value
		Negative (30)	Positive (70)	
T	1, 2 (n=11)	4 (36.4)	7 (63.6)	0.704 ¹⁾
	3, 4 (n=29)	8 (27.6)	21 (72.4)	
N	- (n=13)	7 (53.8)	6 (46.2)	0.032 ¹⁾
	+ (n=27)	5 (18.5)	22 (81.5)	
M	- (n=34)	11 (32.4)	23 (67.6)	0.648 ¹⁾
	+ (n=6)	1 (16.7)	5 (83.3)	
Pathologic stage	I, II (n=6)	4 (66.7)	2 (33.3)	0.055 ¹⁾
	III, IV (n=34)	8 (23.5)	26 (76.5)	
Pathologic grades	Well (n=11)	3 (27.3)	8 (72.7)	0.851 ²⁾
	Moderate (n=16)	6 (37.5)	10 (62.5)	
	Poor (n=13)	3 (23.1)	10 (76.9)	
Recurrence	Yes (n=13)	3 (23.1)	10 (76.9)	0.716 ¹⁾
	No (n=27)	9 (33.3)	18 (66.7)	

1) calculated by Fisher's exact test ($p<0.05$)

2) calculated by Mantel-Henzel test ($p<0.05$)

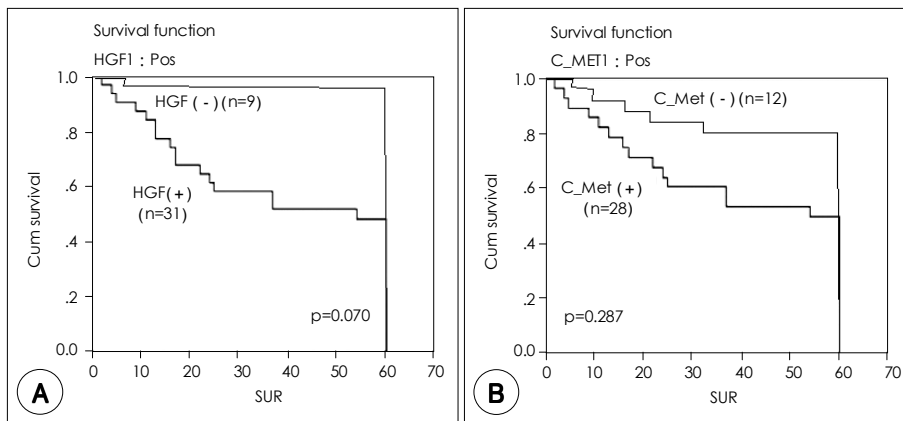


Fig. 3. Survival curves of hypopharyngeal carcinoma patients according to the expression of HGF (A) and c-Met (B).

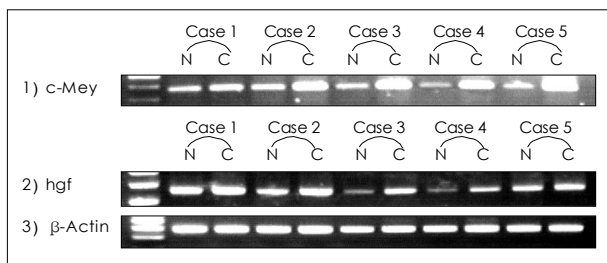


Fig. 4. RT-PCR analysis of HGF and c-Met expression in normal hypopharyngeal mucosa, hypopharyngeal cancer. The increased expression of HGF mRNA and c-Met mRNA were detected in hypopharyngeal cancer tissues.

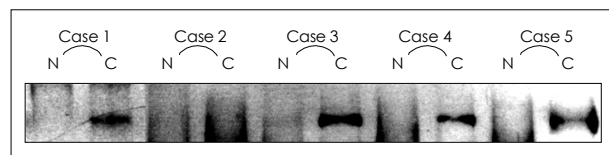


Fig. 5. Western Blotting in hypopharyngeal cancer tissue. The increased expression of c-Met protein were detected in cancer tissues (except Case 2).

(Fig. 5).

(66.7%)

40 17 (42.5%)가 HGF

10 4 (tube)

, 2

Kaplan - Meier

Log - rank test 가 HGF

value 0.07

p -

c - Met

(Fig. 3, $p > 0.05$).

HGF가

RT - PCR Western blotting 가

c - Met RT -

PCR 3 가 2 가

2

가

가

(Fig. 4).

Western blotting

c - Met 1 4

HGF가

HGF

HGF가

HGF

c - Met

가

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